Wetlands Northwest LLC

CRITICAL AREA REPORT

of the

Werner and Brown Properties 1100 6th Avenue SE Issaquah, WA 98027

Tax Parcel Numbers: 342406-9287 and 342406-9279

SW Section 34, Township 24N, Range 06E,

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1.0 Introduction and Site Description

The address for the site is the 1100 Block 6th Avenue SE, Issaquah (see Figure 1 Vicinity Map, page 2). Ingress and egress is from 6th Avenue SE along the property's eastern boundary. The two parcels combined is rectangular-shaped and covers an approximate area of 0.5 acres in the SF-S Zone. The property is vacant and undeveloped, adjoining and nearby properties have single-family homes and a church on the other side of 6th Avenue SE. The property slopes less than 5 percent conveying drainage to the western property boundary.

2.0 Proposed Use

This critical area report will be used to determine the encumbrances of the on-site critical areas for a future building permit. *Wetlands Northwest LLC* visited the property on April 13, 2018 for data collection. Temperatures were in the mid-40s with overcast skies and rain.

3.0 Methodology

The routine methodology described in the Army Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual (1987) was utilized during site investigations to make a determination regarding wetlands, as required by King County. *Wetlands Northwest LLC* also evaluated the site using the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region produced in 2010 (hereinafter referred to as "the Corps Regional Supplement"). The Corps Regional Supplement provides technical guidance and procedures for identifying and delineating wetlands that may be subject to regulatory jurisdiction under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

According to the federal methodology described above, identification of wetlands is based on a three-factor approach involving indicators of hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and presence or indications of hydrology. Using the subject manuals, the site characteristics for making a wetland determination include the following:

- 1.) Examination of the site for hydrophytic vegetation (species present/percent cover);
- 2.) Examination for the presence of hydric soils in areas where hydrophytic vegetation is present; and
- 3.) Examination to determine if adequate hydrology exists for sufficient durations during the early part of the growing season in the same locations as the previous two steps.

Except where noted in the manuals, the approach requires positive indicators of hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and wetland hydrology for a determination that an area is a wetland.

Wetlands are rated using the Washington State Wetland Rating System for Western Washington 2006 revised update. Wetlands Northwest LLC also reviewed the King County Wetland Inventory GIS data, the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) GIS data, the National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) GIS data, the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) soils data and aerial data obtained by the United States Geological Survey (USGS).

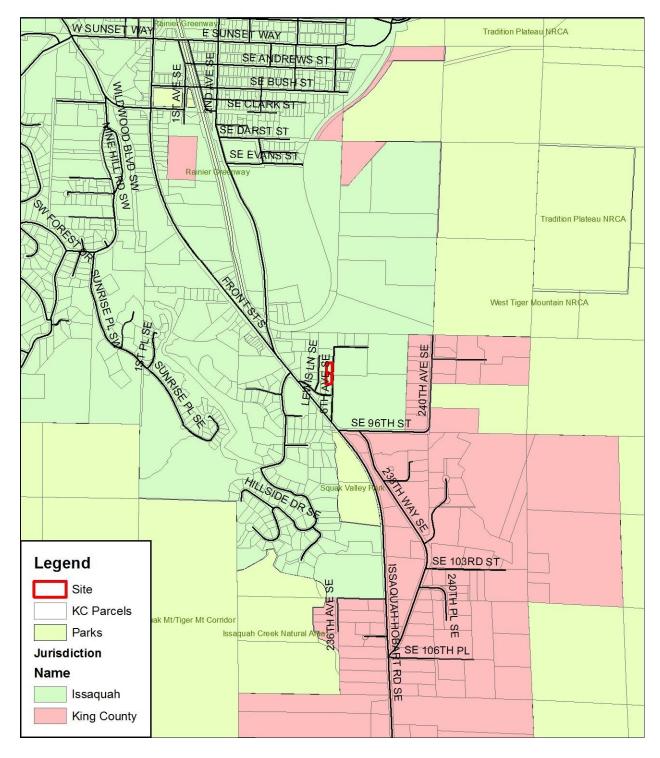
Orange flagging was placed along the wetland boundary labeled A-1 through A-7. Orange flagging was also used for Data Points labeled as DP-1 through DP-9. Both Wetland and Data Points are sketched in Figures 2 and 5 are not survey accurate.

Figure 1 - Vicinity Map

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1 inch equals 0.25 miles





4.0 On-site Inventories

According to the NRCS King County soils survey, the property is mapped Everett gravelly sandy loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes and nearby Briscot and Oridia silt loams (see Figure 2 NRCS Soils Map, page 4). During site investigation the Oridia profile was confirmed in upland soils (see DP-2 through DP9) and the Norma profile in saturated soils (DP-1). The Everett, Briscot, Oridia and Norma soil profiles are described as follows:

The Everett series is made up of "somewhat excessively" drained soils that are underlain by very gravelly sand at a depth of 18 to 36 inches. These soils formed in very gravelly glacial outwash deposits, under conifers. They are on terraces and terrace fronts and are gently undulating and moderately steep. In a representative profile, the surface layer and subsoil are 0 to 1 1/2 inches, black (10YR 2/1) sandy loam, I 1/2 to 17 inches, dark-brown (7.5YR 3/4) gravelly sandy loam, yellowish brown (10YR 5/4), 17 to 32 inches, brown (10YR 4/3) very gravelly sandy loam, pale brown (10YR 6/3) dry, 32 to 60 inches, black and dark grayish-brown (10YR 2/1 and 4/2) very gravelly coarse sand.

The Briscot series is made up of somewhat poorly drained soils. These soils formed in alluvium, under conifers and grass in river valleys. Slopes are less than 2 percent. In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark grayish-brown (10YR 4/2) silt loam about 9 inches thick. The subsoil is mottled grayish-brown (10YR 4/2) and dark-gray (10YR 4/1), stratified fine sandy loam, silt loam, and fine sand to a depth of 60 inches or more.

The Oridia series is made up of somewhat poorly drained soils that formed in alluvium in river valleys. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark grayish-brown (10YR 4/2) silt loam about 9 inches thick. The subsoil is grayish-brown (10YR 5/2), dark grayish-brown (10YR 4/2), and gray (2.5Y 5/1 - 6/1) silt loam and silty clay loam that extends to a depth of 60 inches or more.

The Norma series is made up of "poorly drained" soils that formed in alluvium, under sedges, grass, conifers, and hardwoods. These soils are in basins on the glaciated uplands and in areas along the stream bottoms. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. In a representative profile, the surface layer is black sandy loam about 10 inches thick. The subsoil is dark grayish-brown and dark-gray sandy loam and extends to a depth of 60 inches or more. The A horizon ranges from black (10YR 2/1) to very dark brown (10YR 2/2) and is as much as 15 percent gravel. The B horizon commonly is sandy loam that in places is stratified with silt loam and loamy sand. It is as much as 35 percent gravel in some places. The B horizon is mottled gray (10 YR 5/1 – 6/1), dark gray (10 YR 4/1), and dark grayish brown (10 YR 4/2).

According to the King County and DNR inventories, there no wetland or streams inventoried within 225 feet of the property's boundary (see Figure 3, page 5).

5.0 Results

5.1 Wetlands

One wetland (Wetland A) was delineated along the northwest area of tax parcel 3424069287 (see Figure 4, page 8). Wetland A is categorized as a depressional wetland and is present in a topographic depression along the LIDAR generated 130-foot contour. It has Palustrine scrub/shrub vegetation (PSS) with some traces of herbaceous vegetation. The herbaceous vegetation does not cover 10 percent of the wetland. The outlet of Wetland A is a ditched stream bordering the western side of the Wetland A.

Wetland A is rated as Category III with an overall score of 19 points (see attached rating) that includes 5 habitat points. Category III wetlands with with habitat scores between 5 to 6 require a 75-foot buffer per the Issaquah Municipal Code (IMC) Section 18.10.640 (see Figure 4, page 8).

5.2 Streams

A ditch traverses the site along the boundary of both properties eventually discharging into the Lewis Lane Tributary situated approximately 400 feet downstream to the northwest. The Lewis Lane Tributary discharges into Issaquah Creek approximately 0.4 miles downstream. The ditch traversing the site meets the criteria of a watercourse as defined in the Washington Administration Code (WAC) Section 220-110-020(105) which states:

"Watercourse" and "river or stream" means any portion of a channel, bed, bank, or bottom waterward of the ordinary high water line of waters of the state, including areas in which fish may spawn, reside, or pass, and tributary waters with defined bed or banks, which influence the quality of fish habitat downstream. This includes watercourses which flow on an intermittent basis or which fluctuate in level during the year and applies to the entire bed of such watercourse whether or not the water is at peak level. This definition does not include irrigation ditches, canals, storm water run-off devices, or other entirely artificial watercourses, except where they exist in a natural watercourse that has been altered by humans.

The ditched stream meets the definition of Class 3 in IMC Chapter 18.10.780 which states "Class 3 streams means those streams that are intermittent or ephemeral during years of normal rainfall and areas not used by salmonids." Class 3 stream require a 50-foot buffer per IMC Section 18.10.75 (see Figure 4, page 8).

In addition there are ditches that border the west and east boundaries of both tax parcels and as ditches do not meet the criteria of WAC 220-110-020(105) as they were likely nonexisting prior to the area being developed. The installation of the ditch along 6th Avenue SE was to convey stormwater during storm events. The installation of the ditch along the western boundary of both properties was likely to lower the water table on the developed properties (1104 and 1106 Lewis Lane SE) to the west. The installation of both ditches also has the effect of lowering the water table of the on-site properties resulting in a smaller wetland area.

According to the Assessor's office the neighboring property across the street at 1100 6th Avenue was constructed in 1969 prior to the adoption of the State's stormwater management regulations.

During the site visit it was observed stormdrains and culverts conveying runoff into the ditched stream that traverse the on-site property. It is estimated that approximately to 12.5 acres of impervious unmanaged stormwater flows directly into the on-site ditched Class 3 stream. The additional energy likely contributes to erosion and higher water tables downstream, particularly onsite due to observed standing water and ditch degredation.

6.0 Conclusion

There is a Category III wetland with a 75-foot buffer in addition to a Class 3 stream with a 50-foot buffer. Tax parcel 342406-9287 is totally encumbered with critical areas. Tax Parcel 342406-9279 has approximately 7,000 square feet that is not encumbered by critical areas.

7.0 Limitations and Use of this Report

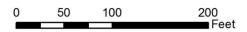
This report is supplied to Bill Werner and David Brown as a means of determining the critical area encumbrances for future development. *Wetlands Northwest LLC* upheld professional industry standards when completing this review. The information included in this report constitutes a professional opinion and does not guarantee approval by any federal, state, and/or local permitting agencies.

The laws applicable to Critical Areas are subject to varying interpretations. The work for this report has conformed to the standard of care employed by professional ecologists in the Puget Sound region. No other representation or warranty, expressed or implied, is made concerning the work or this report. This report is based largely on readily observable conditions and, to a lesser extent, on readily ascertainable conditions. No attempt has been made to determine hidden or concealed conditions. If hidden or concealed conditions arise, the information contained in this report may change based upon those conditions.

Figure 2 - NRCS Soils Map



1 inch equals 100 feet



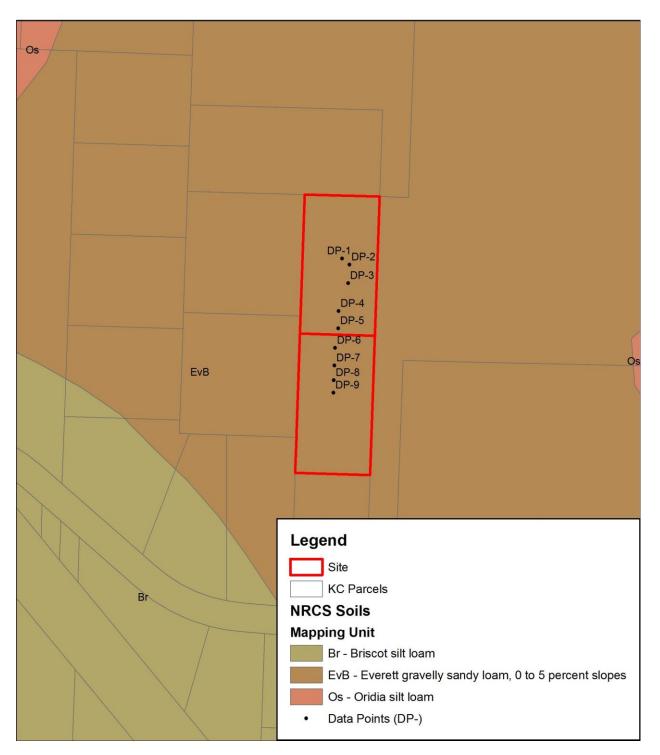


Figure 3 - Wetland and Stream Inventory Map

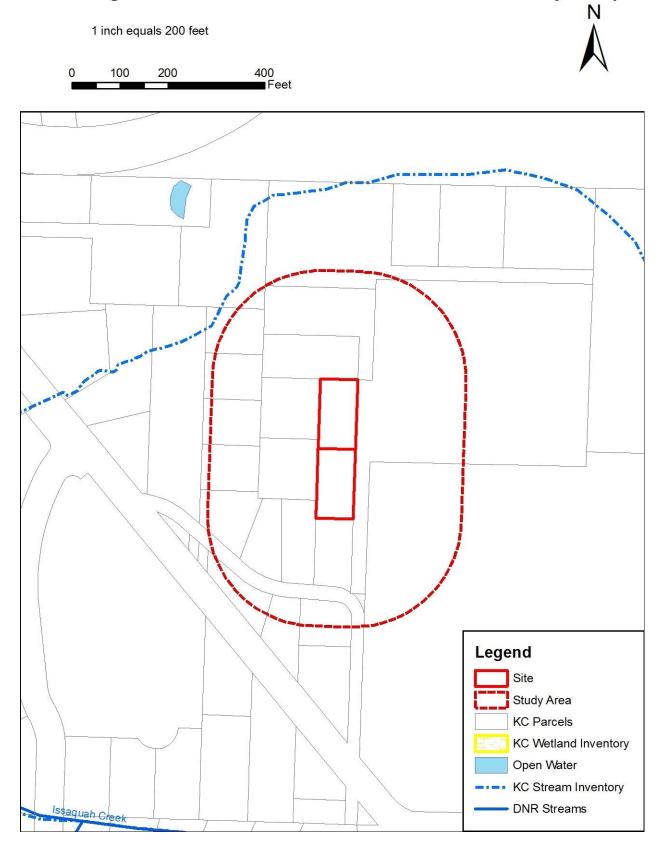
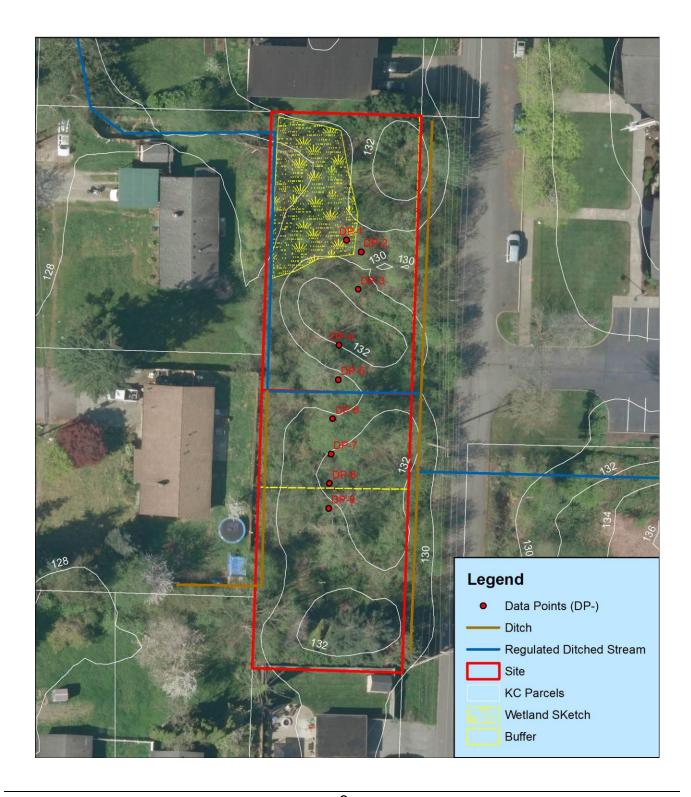


Figure 4 - Wetland Stream and Buffer

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ATTACHMENTS

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region

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Project Site: <u>Brown and Werner</u>

SOIL Sampling Point: <u>DP-2 Through DP-9</u>

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(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
<u>0-14</u>	10YR 2/2	<u>100</u>					silt loam	
<u>14-18+</u>	10YR 4/1	<u>80</u>	10YR 5/8	<u>20</u>			silt loam	
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								 D=Depletion, RM=Reduced

Hydric Soil Indicators: (A)	pplicable	to all L	RRs, u	nless o	otherwise noted.)		Indic	ators for Problem	atic Hyd	ric So	ils³:	
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Depth (inches):						Hydric Soils Prese	ent?	Y	es [A	No	
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Wetland Hydrology Indica							_					
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High Water Table (A2	2)			Ш	(except MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and	4B) (MLRA 1, 2,	4/	A, and 4B)				
☐ Saturation (A3)					Salt Crust (B11) Drain	nage Patterns (B10)						
☐ Water Marks (B1)					Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)	-						
Sediment Deposits (F	B2)											
Drift Deposits (B3)					Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) S		_					
 Algal Mat or Crust (B) 	34)				Oxidized Rhizospheres along	Living Roots (00)						
Iron Deposits (B5)	,				Presence of Reduced Iron (C4	1) ShallowAquitard(D3)						
☐ Surface Soil Cracks ((B6)				Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled	d Soils (C6) F70Nume(25)						
│		agery (I	B7)		Stunted or Stresses Pla	ants (D1) (LRR A)		Raised Ant N	/lounds ([06) (L l	RR	
Sparsely Vegetated (-	□ A)	Other (Explain in Rema	arks) Frost-Hea	□ ave Hun	nmocks (D7)				
E 1101												
Field Observations:	V		NI-		Danish (in all a a), NI/A							
Surface Water Present?	Yes		No		Depth (inches): N/A							
Water Table Present?	Yes		No	\boxtimes	Depth (inches): >18							
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes		No	\boxtimes	Depth (inches): >18							
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Describe Recorded Data (stre	eam gaug	e, moni	toring w	ell, aer	ial photos, previous inspections		Hyaroid	ogy Present?	Ye	s	□ No	<u> </u>
Remarks:												

RATING SUMMARY – Western Washington

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Name of wetland (or II	O #): Wetland A				Date of site visit:	4/13/18
HGM Class used for	rating Depression	Trained by	Ecology?	Yes No	Rated by R. King Date of training	12/10/14
			Wetlar	nd has multip	le HGM classes? \	Yes No
	-	with out the figures real photo/map USGS 2	• '	figures can b	e combined).	
OVERALL WETLAN	D CATEGORY	(based or	n funct⊠ns	or specia	characteristics)	
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_	Category	I - Total s	score = 23	- 27	Score for each	
_	Category	II - Total score = 20) - 22		function based	
	X Category	III - Total score =	= 16 - 19		on three	
	Category	IV - Total score = 9 - 1	5		ratings	
_					(order of ratings	
FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality	Hydrologic Habitat			is not important)	
	List ap	oropriate rating (H, M, L)		,5 5. (61.11)	
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FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality	Hydrologic	Habitat	
	List ap	propriate ratin	g (H, M, L)	
Site Potential	M	L	L	
Landscape Potential	M	Н	М	
Value	Н	Н	М	Tota
Score Based on Ratings	7	7	5	19

Score for each function based on three ratings (order of ratings is not important) 9 = H, H, H 8 = H, H, M 7 = H, H, L 7 = H, M, M 6 = H, M, L 6 = M, M, M 5 = H, L, L 5 = M, M, L 4 = M, L, L 3 = L, L, L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	Category
Estuarine	
Wetland of High Conservation Value	
Bog	
Mature Forest	
Old Growth Forest	
Coastal Lagoon	
Interdunal	

None of the above	
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Maps and Figures required to answer questions correctly for Western Washington

Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.4	A
Hydroperiods	D 1.4, H 1.2	В
Location of outlet (can be added to map of hydroperiods)	D 1.1, D 4.1	В
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (can be added to another figure)	D 2.2, D 5.2	С
Map of the contributing basin	D 4.3, D 5.3	D
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	Е
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	F
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which unit is found (from web)	D 3.3	G

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes	H 1.1, H 1.4	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2	
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (can be added to another figure)	R 2.4	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	
Width of unit vs. width of stream (can be added to another figure)	R 4.1	
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which unit is found (from web)	R 3.2, R 3.3	

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.4	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (can be added to another figure)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which unit is found (from web)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes	H 1.1, H 1.4	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense , rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (can be added to another figure)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (can be added to another figure)	S 2.1, S 5.1	

1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which unit is found (from web)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Western Washington

For questions 1 -7, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.

If hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1 - 7 apply, and go to Question 8.

1.	Are the	e the water levels in the entire unit usually controlled by tides except during floods?				
		NO - go to 2	YES - the w	etland c	elass is Tidal Fringe - go to 1.1	
	1.1	Is the salinity of the water during	ng periods of annual low	flow be	low 0.5 ppt (parts per thousand)?	
			ed as a Freshwater Tida Estuarine wetland and i		YES - Freshwater Tidal Fringe use the forms for Riverine wetlands. If it is cored. This method cannot be used to score	
2.		ntire wetland unit is flat and pre runoff are NOT sources of water		rce (>90	0%) of water to it. Groundwater and surface	
		NO - go to 3 If your wetland can be classifi	ed as a Flats wetland, us	[] se the fo	YES - The wetland class is Flats orm for Depressional wetlands.	
	П		and is on the shores of a	body o	f permanent open water (without any plants size; At least 30% of the open water area is	
		NO - go to 4	YES - The v	vetland	class is Lake Fringe (Lacustrine Fringe)	
			pe can be very gradual), retland in one direction (u	ınidirect	ional) and usually comes from seeps. It may nks. The water leaves the wetland without	
		NO - go to 5			YES - The wetland class is Slope	
		urface water does not pond in tons or behind hummocks (depr			ccasionally in very small and shallow er and less than 1 ft deep).	
5.		he entire wetland unit meet all The unit is in a valley, or strea stream or river,	•		ted by overbank flooding from that	
		The overbank flooding occurs	at least once every 2 years	ars.		
		NO - go to 6			YES - The wetland class is Riverine	

	OTE : The Riverine unit can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year? This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.						
		NO - go to 7		YES - The wetland class is Depressional			
7.	unit d		nches. ⁻	obvious depression and no overbank flooding? The The unit seems to be maintained by high groundwater us natural outlet.			
		NO - go to 8		YES - The wetland class is Depressional			

8. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-7 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE UNIT (make a rough sketch to

help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine along stream within boundary of depression	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine
Salt Water Tidal Fringe and any other class of freshwater wetland	Treat as ESTUARINE

If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.

NOTES and FIELD OBSERVATIONS:

DEPRESSIONAL AND FLATS WETLANDS

Water Quality Functions - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality

- D 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?
- D 1.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:

Wetland is a depression or flat depression (QUESTI	ION 7 on key) with	
no surface water leaving it (no outlet). Wetland has an intermittently flowing stream or ditch	•	
constricted permanently flowing outlet.	points = 2_1	1
Wetland has an unconstricted, or slightly constricted	'	'
is permanently flowing	points = 1	
Wetland is a flat depression (QUESTION 7 on key),	· ·	
permanently flowing ditch.	points = 1	
D 152. The soil 2 in below the surface (or duff layer) is true clay	•	
The son 2 in below the sunace (or dun layer) is true cla	y of true organic	0
(use NRCS definitions).	Yes = 4 No = 0	Ü
D 1.3. Characteristics and distribution of persistent plants (Em		ardin
classes):		
Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, plants > 95% of a	area points = 5	
· · · · · ·		5
Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, plants > $\frac{1}{2}$ of are	points = 3	
Wetland has persistent, ungrazed plants > 1/10 of are	ea points = 1	
Wetland has persistent, ungrazed plants < 1/10 of are	ea points = 0	
D 1.4. Characteristics of seasonal ponding or inundation:		
This is the area that is ponded for at least 2 months	:. See description in manual.	
Area seasonally ponded is > ½ total area of wetland	d points = 4	2
Area seasonally ponded is $> \frac{1}{4}$ total area of wetland	points = 2	
Area seasonally ponded is < 1/4 total area of wetland	•	
Total for D 1	Add the points in the boxes above	8
Rating of Site Potential If score is: 12 - 16 = H 6 - 11 =	·	the first page
<u> </u>	5	
D 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the w	ater quality function of the site?	
D 2.1. Does the wetland unit receive stormwater discharges?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
D 2.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land		

D 2.1. Does the wetland unit receive stormwater discharges?	Yes = 1	No = 0	1
D 2.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land uses that generate			
·			1
pollutants?	Yes = 1	No = 0	
D 2.3. Are there septic systems within 250 ft of the wetland?	Yes = 1	No = 0	0
D 2.4. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not			
listed in questions D 2.1 - D 2.3? 0 Source Yes = 1 No = 0			
Total for D 2 Add the points	in the boxes	s above	2
Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: 3 or 4 = H 1 or 2 = M 0 = L	Record the	rating o	n the first page
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D 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?

D 3.1. Does the wetland discharge directly (i.e., within 1 mi) to a stream, river.	
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lake, or marine water that is on the 303(d) list? Yes = 1 No = 0	
D 3.2. Is the wetland in a basin or sub-basin where an aquatic resource is on the 303(d) list?	
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Yes = 1 No = 0	
D 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality (answer YES if there is a TMDL for the basin in which 0 the unit is found)? = 2 No = 0	Yes

Total for D 3 Add the points in the boxes above

Rating of Value If score is: 2 - 4 = H 1 = M 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

DEPRESSIONAL AND FLATS WETLANDS

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	Wetland has an intermittently flow	ving stream or ditch	OR high	nlv	ρt)II II 3 — 4	
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	Wetland is a flat depression (QUI		whose ou	ıtlet is a	μ.		· ·
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	Wetland has an unconstricted, or	slightly constricted.	surface	outlet that			
	is permanently flowing	, J , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			ро	ints = 0	
D 4.2. [Depth of storage during wet periods	: Estimate the heigh	t of pond	ling above ti	•		
	For wetlands with no outlet, measur						
part.							
	Marks of ponding are 3 ft or more				po	pints = 7	
	Marks of ponding between 2 ft to	< 3 ft from surface of	or bottom	n of outlet	po	pints $= 5$	0
	Marks are at least 0.5 ft to < 2 ft		om of out	tlet	•	pints = 3	
	The wetland is a "headwater" we				-	pints = 3	
	Wetland is flat but has small dep		ace that t	trap water	•	pints = 1	
	Marks of ponding less than 0.5 ft	·			•	pints = 0	
	Contribution of the wetland to storag					upstreal	n
basin c	ontributing surface water to the wet						
	The area of the basin is less than	n 10 times the area o	of the uni	it	po	pints = 5	
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	The area of the basin is 10 to 100			points = 3	The area of	tne basi	n
	is more than 100 times the area of Entire wetland is in the Flats class	•	= 0			::t- <i>-</i>	
	Entire wetland is in the Flats clas						
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The existing or potential outflow from the wetland is so constrained by human or natural conditions that the water stored by the wetland cannot reach areas that flood. Explain why

1 = M

There are no problems with flooding downstream of the wetland.

points = 0points = 0

Record the rating on the first page

D 6.2. Has the site been identified as important for flood storage or flood

conveyance in a regional flood control plan?

Yes = 2 No = 0

Total for D 6

Rating of Value If score is:

Add the points in the boxes above

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.

HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important

habitat H 1.0. Does the site have the potential to provide habitat?

2 - 4 = H

H 1.1. Structure of plant community: Indicators are Cowardin classes and strata within the Forested class. Check the Cowardin plant classes in the wetland. Up to 10 patches may be combined for each class to meet the threshold of ¼ ac or more than 10% of the unit if it is smaller than 2.5 ac. Add the number of structures checked.

Aquatic bed 4 structures or more: points = 4 0 3 structures: points = 2 **Emergent**

0 = L

Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have > 30% cover) 2 structures: points - 1 Forested (areas where trees have > 30% cover) 1 structure: points = 0

If the unit has a Forested class, check if:

The Forested class has 3 out of 5 strata (canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground-

cover) that each cover 20% within the Forested polygon

H 1.2. Hydroperiods

Check the types of water regimes (hydroperiods) present within the wetland. The water regime has to cover more than 10% of the wetland or ¼ ac to count (see text for descriptions of hydroperiods).

Permanently flooded or inundated 4 or more types present: points = 3 Seasonally flooded or inundated 3 types present: points = 2 2 Occasionally flooded or inundated 2 types present: points = 1 Saturated only 1 types present: points = 0

Permanently flowing stream or river in, or adjacent to, the wetland

Seasonally flowing stream in, or adjacent to, the wetland

Lake Fringe wetland

2 points 2 points

points = 0

Freshwater tidal wetland

H 1.3. Richness of plant species

Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft².

Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold and you do not have to name the species. Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife,

Canadian thistle

If you counted: > 19 species points = 25 - 19 species points = 1

< 5 species

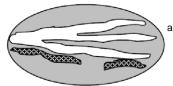
H 1.4. Interspersion of habitats

Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersion among Cowardin plants classes (described in H 1.1), or the classes and unvegetated areas (can include open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none. If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.

Wetland Rating System 1 ating free diagratives in this row are HIGH = 3 points



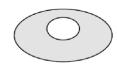




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Low = 1 point





Moderate = 2 points

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high inte	nsity poi	nts = 0					
Total for H 2	, ,			Ad	dd the points	in the boxes above	3
Rating of Landsca	pe Potential	If Score is:	4 - 6 = H	1 - 3 = M	< 1 = L	Record the rating of	n the first page
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H 3.0. Is the habita	at provided b	y the site val	uable to socie	ety?			ı
H 3.1. Does the sit	e provide ha	abitat for spec	cies valued in	laws, regulati	ons, or polic	ies? Choose only the	₹
highest score that	applies to th	ne wetland be	ing rated.				ı
Site mee	ts ANY of th	ne following c	riteria:			points = 2	İ
☐ It	has 3 or mo	re priority hal	oitats within 1	00 m (see nex	kt page) It pr	ovides	İ
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It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan

Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats (listed on next page) with in 100m Site does not meet any of the criteria above

Rating of Value If Score is: 2 = H 1 = M 0 = L

points = 1
points = 0
Record the rating on the first page

WDFW Priority Habitats

<u>Priority habitats listed by WDFW</u> (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp.

http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf_or access the list from here: http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland unit: NOTE: This question is independent of the land use between the wetland unit and the priority habitat. **Aspen Stands**: Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha). Biodiversity Areas and Corridors: Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report). Herbaceous Balds: Variable size patches of grass and forbs on shallow soils over bedrock. Old-growth/Mature forests: Old-growth west of Cascade crest – Stands of at least 2 tree species, forming a multi-layered canopy with occasional small openings; with at least 8 trees/ac (20 trees/ha) > 32 in (81 cm) dbh or > 200 years of age. Mature forests - Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west of the Cascade crest. Oregon White Oak: Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 - see web link above). Riparian: The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other. Westside Prairies: Herbaceous, non-forested plant communities that can either take the form of a dry prairie or a wet prairie (full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 161 - see web link above). Instream: The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources. Nearshore: Relatively undisturbed nearshore habitats. These include Coastal Nearshore, Open Coast Nearshore, and Puget Sound Nearshore. (full descriptions of habitats and the definition of relatively undisturbed are in WDFW report – see web link on previous page). Caves: A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human. Cliffs: Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation. Talus: Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs. Snags and Logs: Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 20 in (51 cm) in western Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS **Wetland Type** Category Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. List the category when the appropriate criteria are met. SC 1.0. Estuarine Wetlands Does the wetland meet the following criteria for Estuarine wetlands? The dominant water regime is tidal. Vegetated, and With a salinity greater than 0.5 ppt Yes - Go to SC 1.1 No = Not an estuarine wetland SC 1.1. Is the wetland within a National Wildlife Refuge, National Park, National Estuary Reserve, Natural Area Preserve, State Park or Educational, Environmental, or Scientific Reserve designated under WAC 332-30-151? No - Go to SC Yes = Category I 1.2 SC 1.2. Is the wetland unit at least 1 ac in size and meets at least two of the following three conditions? The wetland is relatively undisturbed (has no diking, ditching, filling, cultivation, grazing, and has less than 10% cover of non-native plant species. (If non-native species are Spartina, see page 25) At least 3/4 of the landward edge of the wetland has a 100 ft buffer of shrub, forest, or ungrazed or un-mowed grassland. The wetland has at least two of the following features: tidal channels, depressions with open water, or contiguous freshwater wetlands. Yes = Category I No = Category II SC 2.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 2.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? Yes - Go to **SC 2.2** No - Go to SC 2.3 SC 2.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? Yes = Category No = Not WHCV SC 2.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasearch/wnhpwetlands.pdf Yes - Contact WNHP/WDNR and to SC 2.4No = Not WHCV SC 2.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and listed it on their website? Yes = Category No = Not WHCV SC 3.0. Bogs Does the wetland (or any part of the unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs? Use the key below. If you answer YES you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions. SC 3.1. Does an area within the wetland unit have organic soil horizons, either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? K Yes - Go to SC 3.3 No - Go to SC 3.2 Does an area within the wetland unit have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock, or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond? Yes - Go to SC 3.3 No = Is not a boqSC 3.3. Does an area with peats or mucks have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level, AND at least a 30% cover of plant species listed in Table 4? Yes = Is a Category No - Go to SC I bog 3.4

NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 4 are present, the wetland is a bog.

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SC 3.4.	Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with Sitka spruce, subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 4 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy? Yes = Is a Category I bog No	= Is not a				
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	Does the wetland have at least 1 contiguous acre of forest that meets one of these criteria for the WA Department of Fish and Wildlife's forests as priority habitats? <i>If you answer YES you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i> Old-growth forests (west of Cascade crest): Stands of at least two tree species, forming a multi-layered canopy with occasional small openings; with at least 8 trees/ac (20 trees/ha) that are at least 200 years of age OR have a diameter at breast height (dbh) of 32 in (81 cm) or more. Mature forests (west of the Cascade Crest): Stands where the largest trees are 80- 200 year old OR the species that make up the canopy have an average diameter (dbh) exceeding 21 in (53 cm).	s				
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5.0 Wet	Yes = Category I No = Not a forested wetland for this section S ands in Coastal Lagoons	C				
J.U. WEL	Does the wetland meet all of the following criteria of a wetland in a coastal lagoon?					
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	The wetland lies in a depression adjacent to marine waters that is wholly or partially separate	d				
	from marine waters by sandbanks, gravel banks, shingle, or, less frequently, rocks					
	The lagoon in which the wetland is located contains ponded water that is saline or brackish (> 0.5 ppt) during most of the year in at least a portion of the lagoon (<i>needs to be measured near the bottom</i>)					
	Yes - Go to SC 5.1 No = Not a wetland in a coastal lagoon					
SC 5.1 . I	Does the wetland meet all of the following three conditions? The wetland is relatively undisturbed (has no diking, ditching, filling, cultivation, grazing), and less than 20% cover of aggressive, opportunistic plant species (see list of species on p.	has				
	100). At least ¾ of the landward edge of the wetland has a 100 ft buffer of shrub, forest, or ungraze	d				
	or un-mowed grassland.	u				
	The wetland is larger than $^{1}/_{10}$ ap (4350 ft ²)					
	Yes = Category I No = Category II					
SC 6.0. I	nterdunal Wetlands					
	Is the wetland west of the 1889 line (also called the Western Boundary of Upland Ownership					
	or WBUO)? If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its habitat					
	functions.					
	In practical terms that means the following geographic areas:					
	Long Beach Peninsula: Lands west of SR 103 Grayland-Westport: Lands west of SR 105					
	Ocean Shores-Copalis: Lands west of SR 115 and SR 109					
	Yes - Go to SC 6.1 No Note an interdunal wetland for rating SC					
6.1.	Is the wetland 1 ac or larger and scores an 8 or 9 for the habitat functions on the form (rates					
H,H,H or H,H,M for the three aspects of function)?						
' ' '	Yes = Category I No - Go to SC 6.2					
SC 6.2.	Is the wetland 1 ac or larger, or is it in a mosaic of wetlands that is 1 ac or larger?					
00.00	Yes = Category II No - Go to SC 6.3					
SC 6.3.	Is the unit between 0.1 and 1 ac, or is it in a mosaic of wetlands that is between 0.1 and 1 ac?					
	Yes = Category III No = Category	IV				
Category	y of wetland based on Special Characteristics					

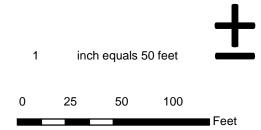
If you answered No for all types, enter "Not Applicable" on Summary Form

Figure A - Cowarding Plant Classes





Figure B - Hydroperiods



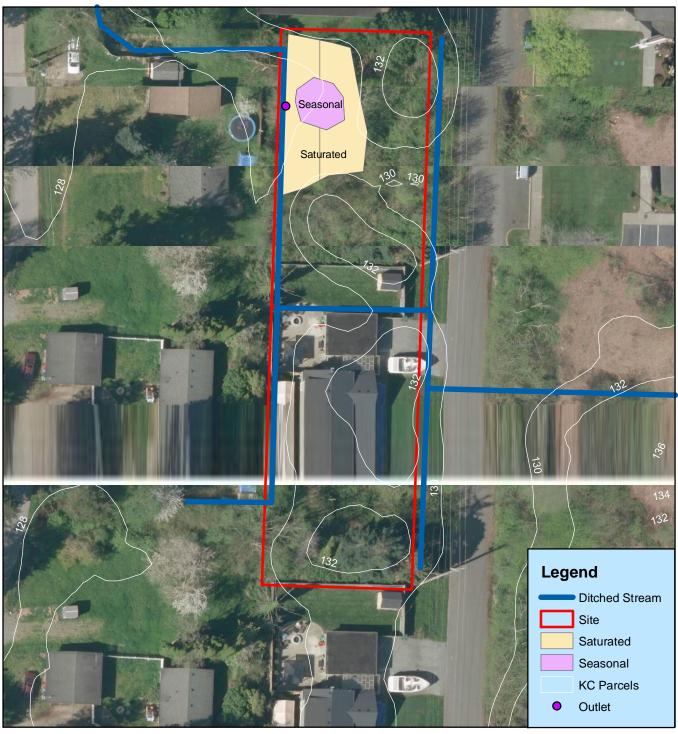
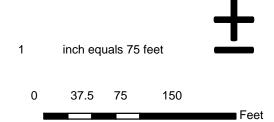


Figure C - 150-Foot Buffer From Wetland



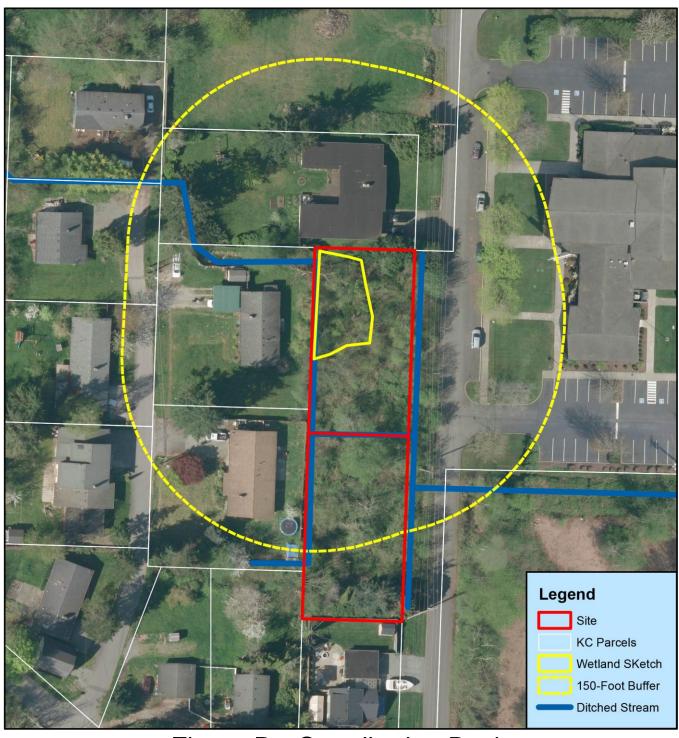
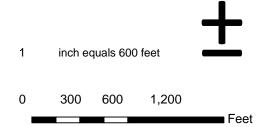


Figure D - Contributing Basin



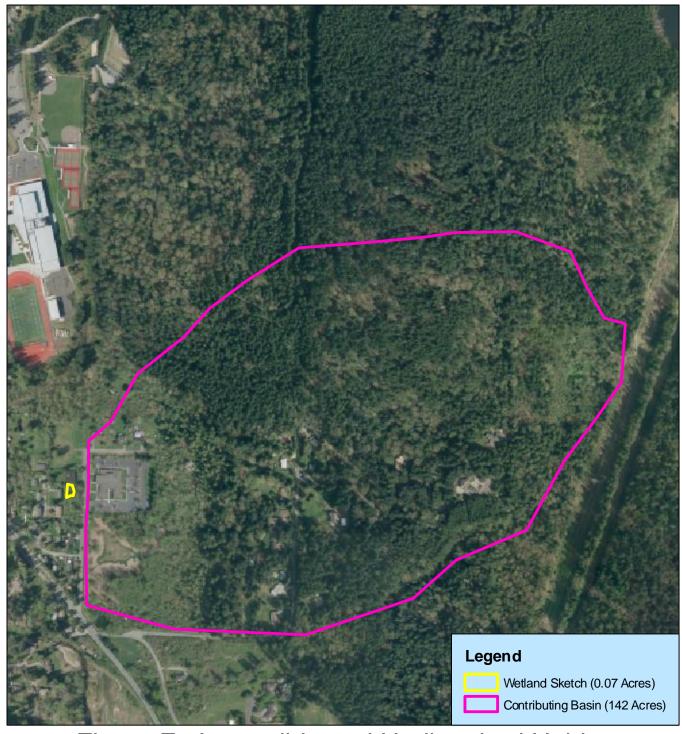
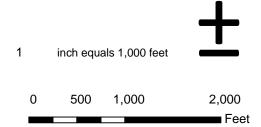
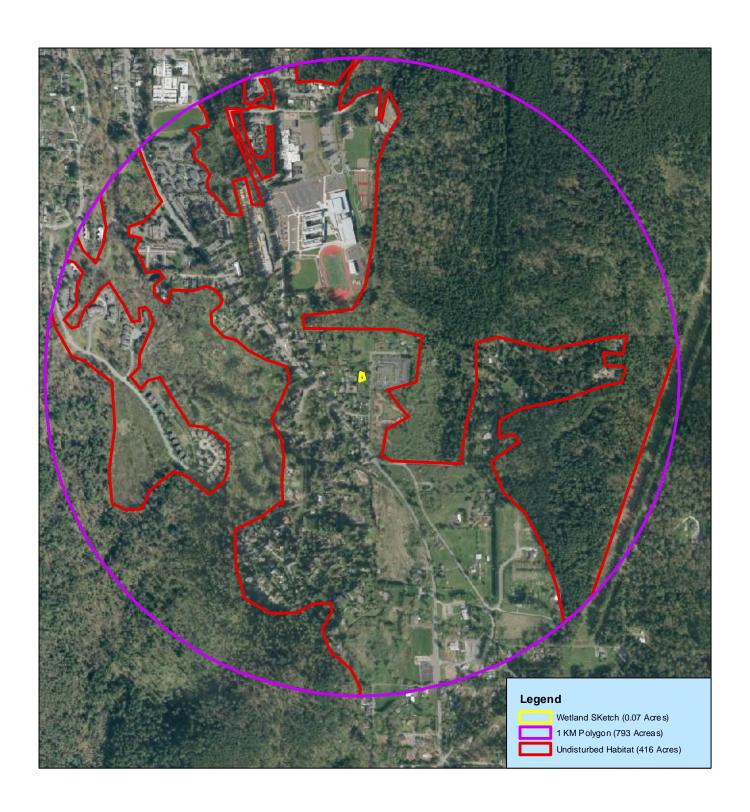
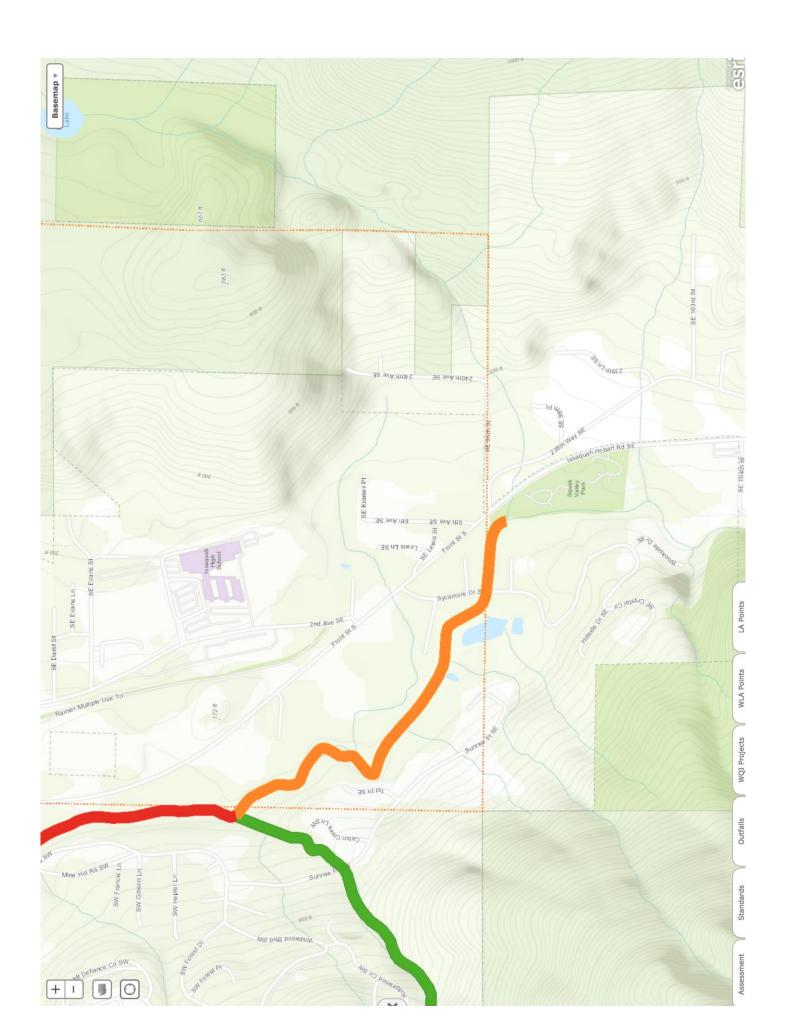


Figure E- Accessible and Undisturbed Habitat







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This page gives an overview of water quality improvement projects — including total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) — in Washington. Projects are listed by county.

Each listing gives general information on waterbody, what pollutants are being dealt with, status of the project, and contact information in case you have questions.

Note: This is a partial list of the water quality improvement projects. A full directory will be developed.

Get more information and data

Links provide more information by taking you to publications related to the project, or to the Water Quality Atlas, or to a project page as appropriate.

If more information is available about a project, it will be hyperlinked to the water body name. Use our <u>Water</u>

Quality <u>Assessment Query Tool</u> to get data about v : er bodies.

Read reports on improvement projects

To see water quality improvement reports, see the Water Cleanup Plans in our publications database.

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County	Waterbody Name	Pollutant(s)	Status	TMDL Lead(s)
Adams Lincoln Whitman	<u>Palouse</u>	Dissolved oxygen Fecal Coliform PCBs Temperature Toxics	Under development EPA approved Has an implementation plan	Elaine Snouwaert 509-329- 3503
Clark	East Fork Lewis River	Fecal Coliform Temperature	Under development	Andrew Kolosseus 360-407- 7543
Grays Harbor	North Ocean Beaches	Shellfish Closure Response Fecal Coliform Bacteria source investigation study	Under development	Donovan Gray 360-407- 6407
King	Sammamish River and Tributaries	Dissolved Oxygen Temperature	Under Development	Joan Nolan 425-649- 4425

County				TMDL Lead(s)
King	Soos Creek Subbasin Multiparameter	Aquatic Habitat Dissolved Oxygen Temperature	Under Development	Joan Nolan 425-649- 4425
King	Soos Creek Subbasin Bacteria	Fecal Coliform	Under Development	Joan Nolan 425-649- 4425
Mason	Cranberry, Johns, and Mill Creeks	Temperature	This project is currently being redirected as a temperature characterization study.	Betsy Dickes 360-407- 6296
Pend Oreille Spokane Stevens	<u>Little Spokane River</u>	Dissolved Oxygen pH	Under development	Elaine Snouwaert 509-329- 3503
Pierce	Clover Creek	Dissolved Oxygen Fecal Coliform Temperature	Water Quality Assessment project Under development	Donovan Gray 360-407- 6407
Skagit	<u>Padilla Bay</u>	Fecal coliform	Under development	Danielle DeVoe 425-649- 7036

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Snohomish	French and Pilchuck Creeks	Dissolved Oxygen Temperature	Under development	Heather Khan 425-649- 7003
Spokane	Hangman Creek	Fecal Coliform Temperature Turbidity	Approved Implementation plan sent to EPA	Elaine Snouwaert 509-329- 3503
Spokane	Spokane River	Dissolved Oxygen PCB Toxics		Karin Baldwin 509-329- 3601 Adriane Borgias 509-329- 3515
Thurston	<u>Deschutes River and</u> <u>tributaries</u>	Dissolved Oxygen Fecal Coliform pH Sediment Temperature	Submitted to EPA for approval	<u>Leanne</u> <u>Weiss</u> 360-407- 0243
Thurston	Deschutes Watershed: Budd Inlet	Dissolved Oxygen Phosphorus	Under development	Leanne Weiss 360-407- 0243

County				TMDL Lead(s)
Thurston	Henderson Inlet	Dissolved Oxygen Fecal Coliform pH Temperature	EPA approved Has an implementation plan	<u>Donovan</u> <u>Gray</u> 360-407- 6407
Whatcom	Lake Whatcom Watershed Multiparameter	Dissolved Oxygen Fecal Coliform Phosphorus	EPA approved	<u>Steve</u> <u>Hood</u> 360-715- 5211
Yakima	Mid-Yakima Basin	Bacteria	Under development	Greg Bohn 509-454- 4174
Yakima	Yakima River Basin	Toxics	Under development	J <u>ane</u> Creech 509-454- 7860

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